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SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER 21 IEA GOVERING BOARD

1. SUMMARY: GOVERNING BOARD SESSION POSITIONED MEMBER GOVERNMENTS SO THAT AGREEMENT ON GROUP AND NATIONAL TARGETS FOR REDUCED OIL IMPORT DEPENDENCY CAN BE REACHED AT NOVERMBER MEETING. DISCUSSION FOCUSED ON KEY ISSUES OF NEED FOR CLEAR IEA RESPONSE TO LTEA PROJECTIONS OF INCREASED IMPORT DEPENDENCE, DESIRABILITY OF NATIONAL AS WELL AS AGGREGATE TARGETS, AND USEFULNESS OF QUANTIFYING OBJECTIVES. US ARGUMENT THAT NATIONAL AS WELL AS AGGREAGATE TARGEST ESSENTIAL RECEIVED SUBSTANTIAL SUPPORT, ALTHOUGH UK TOOK POSITION STRESSING NEED FOR CONCRETE ACTIONS TO REDUCE DEPENDENCY, AND FRG QUESTIONED DESIRABILITY OF QUANTITATIVE TARGETS AND WHETHER POLITICAL PROCESSES COMPLETABLE IN TIME SPAN ENVISIONED. SLT CONFIDENTIAL

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TARGETS PRIOR NEXT MEETING OF GOVERNING BOARD. END SUMMARY.

2. FOCUS OF THIS GOVERNING BOARD MEETING WAS ON US PRO-POSAL THAT IEA INITIATE PROCESS TO ENABLE MEMBERS TO ESTABLISH CREDIBLE OBJECTIVES FOR ACHIEVING MORE ACCEPT-ABLE BALANCE BETWEEN SUPPLY OF AND DEMAND FOR OPEC OIL. DISCUSSION WAS BASED OF SECRETARIAT PAPER OUTLINING SYSTEMATIC PROCEDURE FOR ESTABLISHING IEA AGGREGATE AND NATIONAL OBJECTIVES. AT CONCLUSION OF DEBATE CHAIRMAN (DAVIGNON) NOTED FULL AGREEMENT OF MEMBERS THAT (AL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN IEA AND MEMBERS SUCH THAT WHILE NOT AN EXCUTIVE AGENCY, IEA PROGRAMS COULD REINFORCE NATION-AL ENERGY POLICIES; (B) THE LTEA PROJECTIONS SHOWING SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED FUTURE IMPORT DEPENDENCE REQUIRED STRONG, UNAMBIGOUS RESPONSE: AND (C) IEA SHOULD UNDER-TAKE TO ELABORATE THAT RESPONSE. HE ALSO NOTED CONSENSUS THAT EVALUATION REQUIRED OF RELATIVE CAPABILITIES OF MEMBERS TO CONTRIBUTE TO REDUCED OVERALL DEPENDENCY AND AGREEMENT THAT SLT SHOULD ADDRESS SECRETARIAT DRAFT PAPER WITH VIEW TO FINALIZING EVALUATION PROCEDURES TO EXTENT POSSIBLE AND WHERE NOT POSSIBLE TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC ISSUES FOR GB DECISION AT NEXT MEETING. TIMETABLE ENVISIONED PROVIDES FOR EVALUATION OF TARGETS BY EARLY 1977 AND MINISTERIAL LEVEL ENDORSEMENT IN MARCH/ APRIL. SECRETARY GENERAL VAN LENNEP AND DAVIGNON PLAN MEETING WITH PRESS NOVEMBER 10 TO ISSUE STATEMENT ON UPDATED LTEA PROJECTIONS AND PLANNED IEA RESPONSE.

3. DURING COURSE OF EXTENDED TOUR DE TABLE US EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT SERIOUS IMPLICATIONS OF LTEA PROJECTIONS AND STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF IEA ACTING NOW TO INSURE PROJECTIONS NOT REALIZED. RESPONSE MUST BE CREDIBLE AND US RECOGNIZED IMPORTANCE OF INVOLVING ALL RELEVANT BRANCHES OF ITS OWN GOVERNMENT TO INSURE US FULFILLS ITS CONTRIBUTION TO REDUCED IMPORT DEPENDENCE. ITALIANS, DANES, SWEDES, SWISS, AUSTRIANS, TURKS, GREEKS AND SPANISH WELCOMED PROPOSAL TO EXPLORE NATIONAL CAPABILITIES TO REDUCE DEPENDENCY WITH DANES STRESSING IMPORTANCE OF EXERCISE IN REASSURING GOVERNMENTS OF INTENT OF EACH CONFIDENTIAL

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MEMBER TO ASSUME SPECIFIC SHARE OF RESPONSIBILITY.
CANADA RECOGNIZED IMPORTANCE OF LTEA IMPLICATIONS, BUT
STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF MAXIMUM US AND JAPANESE EFFORTS
IN VIEW OF FACT 50 PERCENT OF INCREASED DEPENDENCE
ATTRIBUABLE TO THESE TWO COUNTRIES. FRG AGREED THAT
LONG TERM PROGRAM LOGICALLY CALLED FOR FURTHER STEPS
AND SUPPORTED PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH TARGETS, BUT QUESTIONED WHETHER QUANTIFYING TARGETS DESIRABLE AND WHETHER

PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS COULD BE COMPLETED IN TIME FRAME ENVISIONED. UK AND IRISH ALSO QUESTIONED WHETHER SPECIFIC C TARGETS USEFUL ON GROUNDS FAILURE TO MEET TARGETS COULD SUBSTANTIALLY UNDERMINE IEA CREDIBILITY AND WOULD IN ANY EVENT BE DIFFICULT IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH. THE DUTCH OPPOSED NATIONAL TARGETS ON GROUNDS SUCH COULD INTERFERE WITH POLICY FLEXIBILITY IN OTHER ECONOMIC AREAS. JAPAN ALSO PREFERRED NOT ESTABLISH NATIONAL TARGETS TO PRESERVE FLEXIBLITY OF NATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY, BUT WOULD NOT OPPOSE CONSENSUS FOR TARGETS SHOULD SUCH DEVELOP, NORWAY RECOMMENDED DELETION OF

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ACCELERATED POLICY CASE FROM LTEA ON GROUNDS ITPRE-JUDGED POLITICAL ACTION BY GOVERNEMNTS. DAVIGNON REJECT-ED PROPOSAL AND OFFERED MEET WITH ANY MEMBER GOVERNMENT TO RESOLVE POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES RAISED BY LTEA.

4. DRAFT CONCLUSIONS ON EMERGENCY RESERRVE COMMITMENTS AS DESCRIBED IN IEA/GB (76)33 REFERRED TO SEQ WITH PRO-VISO MINOR OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS OF FORM TO BE RESOLVED BETWEEN INTERESTED DELEGATIONS AND SECRETARIAT. DECISION ON ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL SECURITY PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES POSTPONED TO NEXT MEETING.

5. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 8-9.
INFORMAL GB MAY BE CONVENED IN MID OCTOBER TO REVIEW
PROGRESS TOWARD FINAL PACKAGE FOR CIEC ENERGY COMMISSION.
GOVENING BOARD AGREED THAT BURROWS GROUP DRAFT PAPERS
WOULD BE CIRCULATED TO ALL IEA MEMBERS TO INSURE THOSE
COUNTRIES NOT DIRECTLY PARTICIPATING IN
ENERGY COMMISSION ARE KEPT INFORMED OF GROUP'S DELIBERACONFIDENTIAL

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TIONS.

6. LANTZKE INFORMED GOVERNING BOARD HE WILL PROPSE THREE ADDITIONAL POSITIONS FOR COMBINED ENERGY STAFF INFORMATION SECTION TO BUDGET COMMITTEE. TURNER

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